



7th July 2023

Dear All,

The end of the Summer term is always a fun but busy time of the year! Last week all of the children got to spend time with their new classes and new teachers and most of our year 6 children have now spent a bit of time in their new High Schools. This coming week we have Sport's Day and the Friends of Erpingham Summer Party. We hope to see you there on Tuesday afternoon!

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Deputy Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare - We have started to harvest the blackcurrants using them and some mint from the garden to make some ice lollies, this has been a lovely sensory activity with the children squeezing some lemon and lime juice in. At our stay and play session this week we went on a 'bear hunt', once again a sensory activity as the children took off their shoes and socks and experienced the grass, mud, water, woodchip and flour. Mrs Witham from Blackbirds class came over to read the children some stories, at Little Brown Hare the children become familiar with all the staff in the school, this really helps them when they transition into reception. On Tuesday we are joining in with Sports Day, there is a board by the front entrance to inform you which team colour your child is in, all welcome.

Blackbirds - This week, Blackbirds went on an outing to Pensthorpe. We have been learning all about birds this term, so it was really fun to see all the different birds at Pensthorpe. We did some learning about them in the education room, went out to visit the ducks and geese and also went to see the flamingos. The children also loved the play area and were all very adventurous with their climbing and sliding.

Wagtails - This week in Wagtails, we have been plotting the next stops of our world tour onto our maps. The class are getting very good at quickly locating countries and using Google Maps. We were then able to research the population of each city. We also used our biomes knowledge and work from last week to label each place's biome. As our most recent place we've been looking at is Japan, we've been finding out about tsunamis and how countries deal with these dangerous natural disasters. We will be looking at tsunami drills next week and writing our own instructions on how to survive a tsunami.

Skylarks - Another busy week in Skylarks with lots of singing and stage practice for our end of term performance, together with making props and scenery. We've also been writing more of our adventure stories and in maths we've been working on converting between units of measurement. A couple of requests/reminders as the end of term is coming round fast:

The play:- all costumes for the play to be in next week, in labelled bags please. Your child has had a slip with their role(s) on it and suggestions for costumes, please let us know if any issues.

- the performance is at the village hall on **Thursday 20th June from 2pm -3pm**. You'll be able to collect your child after the show or we can bring them back to school in the minibus for approximately 3.15pm.

End of term:

- **please can we have an empty, labelled bag (next week) in which to send home children's work.**

- **Year 6s can bring in a shirt to be signed on the last day and/or autograph books**



NEWSLETTER







Forest School News

Year 6 had their last session in the woods. At times they felt torn with how they wanted to spend their time in the knowledge it was the last. They had planned cake baking, and noodles which we all agreed were the best yet! We printed loads of pictures and added them to our learning journals. They had fun reminiscing about all the things they had done over the past few years.

At the end we discussed how we felt and most said they were sad. We talked about remembering how much they loved the woods and when things get a bit tricky to use their knowledge of nature and how it makes them feel good.

Year 2 enjoyed making pancakes and eating them hot off the fire. Some had a great time practicing with the flints and steel and lighting our fire to cook the pancakes on! We had fun making fairy houses both in groups and on their own. We used found things and made figures out of colourful playdough. Some learnt how to lash a tepi to make little shelters.

Forest school dates to remember -

12th July Y5- Last session of the term (trip to Northrepps TBC)





DIARY DATES

Monday 10th July -

Tuesday 11th July - **Sports Day** Friends Summer Party

Wednesday 12th July - **Year 5 Forest School**

Thursday 13th July - **Year 3/4 Forest School**

Friday 14th July - Blackbirds PE **Year 6 bowling trip**

Monday 17th July - Skylarks show rehearsal at the village Hall

Tuesday 18th July - Skylarks show rehearsal at the village Hall

Wednesday 19th July -

Thursday 20th July - **Skylarks Show at the village hall 2pm - Families welcome.**

Friday 21st July - **Leavers service/ messy church Last day of term**